

## Staff Report City of Lake Stevens Park & Recreation Planning Board

Park Board Briefing Date: March 26, 2013

Subject: 2013 Parks & Recreation Element Update

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**SUMMARY:** Staff will present an overview of the current parks inventory and level of service options.

## Discussion Item A – 2013 Parks & Recreation Element Update

The purpose of tonight's meeting is to discuss the current park inventory, park typologies and level of service options.

The city currently has approximately 146 acres of public parks, 10 acres devoted to special uses, and 122 acres of open space in its parks and recreation inventory – these numbers includes city parks, county parks, trails, undeveloped property and Native Growth Protection Areas readily accessible to city residents. The Lake Stevens School District facilities compliment the city inventory with athletic facilities and playground throughout the city. In addition to public facilities, there are approximately 165 acres of private open space or other recreational properties within or near the city. Private open spaces and recreational properties include small neighborhood playgrounds, sports courts, trails, undeveloped properties, NGPAs and some utility tracts attached to subdivisions. Private facilities may also include larger athletic fields, such as Bond Field, the Boys and Girls Club, and community clubhouses. Staff has prepared an inventory of public facilities that includes park locations, park type, and existing amenities.

As discussed at previous meetings, city staff is recommending revisions to the Level of Service (LOS) for parks that are more dynamic than the current population based method. The current LOS is 7.5 acres per 1,000 people. This method is helpful for setting goals, but may not define a community's true need and may not be attainable for communities to keep expanding an inventory without improving its existing facilities. Based on our current Level of Service the city has a deficit of approximately 63 acres of parkland when evaluating the city's 2011 population estimate (28,210). The city's current model does not distinguish types of parks and the different functions provided. Staff recommends developing targets that focus on access to different facilities and the quality of facilities and amenities available. Staff has prepared a table that compares the methodology used by other jurisdictions for comparison.

Staff is looking for direction from the Park Board and refining inventory reporting and setting new LOS targets.

## Attached:

Public Parks and Open Space Inventory
LOS Comparison

**Park Typologies** 

		Proposed Park Typologies	
Туре	Size	Typical Amenities	Area Served
Mini-Park	≤ 1 acre	Playgrounds, Landscaping, Picnic Benches	Residential areas w/in 1/2 mile
Neighborhood Park	≤ 10 acres	Informal, active, and passive recreation Playgrounds, Landscaping, Picnic Areas, Trails, single or small fields, Parking, Restrooms, etc	Residential areas w/in 1-1/2 miles
Community Park	> 10 acres	Informal, formal, active, and passive recreation amenities to serve the community Playgrounds, Landscaping, Picnic Areas, Trails, Multiple Fields, Structures, Parking, Permanent Restrooms, etc	Residential areas w/in 3 miles
Special Use		any park type or facility that provides a unique experience may include boat launch, cultural facilities, or public art	Community
Open Space		Undeveloped or low intensity uses that may include passive recreation areas, trails, or NGPAs	varies

Facility	Location	Owner	Area (acres)	Designation	Picnic Shelter/Benches	Playground	Trail/Pathway	Basketball	Track	Tennis	Athletic Fields/Football/Soccer	Beach / Swimming	Softball/Baseball	Dock	Boat Launch	Swimming Pool	View Corridor	Gymnasium	Restrooms	Community Center	Open Space	Native Growth Protection Area	Landscaping	Other
Community Park	_		•	1																				
Cavalero Community Park	2032 - 79th Ave SE	Snohomish County	32.93	Community Park																	X			X
Eagle Ridge	2424 Soper Hill Road	City of Lake Stevens	28.20	Community Park			X													X	X			X
Lake Stevens Community Park	16th St SE & N Machias Rd	Snohomish County	43.24	Community Park	Х	X	X	X			X		X						X		X			
·	Commi	unity Parks Total Acres	104.37																					
Neighborhood Park	1	•	1	1																				
Catherine Creek	12708 20th St NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 4 / City of Lake Stevens	16.55	Neighborhood Park	X	X															X			X
Centennial Woods	131st Dr NE	City of Lake Stevens	6.02	Neighborhood Park			X														X			
Lundeen Park	10108 Lundeen Parkway	City of Lake Stevens	10.05	Neighborhood Park	X											X	X		X				X	X
North Cove	Main St & North Ln	City of Lake Stevens	2.28	Neighborhood Park	X	X											X						X	X
Wyatt	20 South Davies Rd	Snohomish County	2.48	Neighborhood Park	X		_									X	X		X				X	X
	Neighbor	hood Parks Total Acres	37.37																					

Facility Mini Doub	Location	Owner	Area (acres)	Designation	Picnic Shelter/Benches	Playground	Trail/Pathway	Basketball	Track	Tennis	Athletic Fields/Football/Soccer	Beach / Swimming	Softball/Baseball	Dock	Boat Launch	Swimming Pool	View Corridor	Gymnasium	Restrooms	Community Center	Open Space	Native Growth Protection Area	Landscaping	Other
Mini-Park	33rd St NE & 166th				Ī																			
Baker Vista	Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.46	Mini-Park		X	X																	
Chase Short Plat	31XX Mandolin Court	City of Lake Stevens	0.06	Mini-Park		X																	X	
Crossing at Catherine Creek	29XX - 1127th Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.41	Mini-Park		X															X			
Greenwood Village 1	5XX - 125th Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.45	Mini-Park		X	Χ																	
Greenwood Village 2	123XX - 4th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.46	Mini-Park		X	X																	
Greenwood Village 3	72X - 127th Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.74	Mini-Park		X																		
Kids Oasis	12708 - 20th St NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 4	0.36	Mini-Park		X																		
North Lakeshore Swim Beach	North Lakeshore Dr	City of Lake Stevens	0.71	Mini-Park								X		X										
Summer Hill Estates	113XX - 36th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.11	Mini-Park		X																	X	
Sunset Park	410 E Lake Stevens Rd	Snohomish County	0.60	Mini-Park	X							X		X									X	
Timber Lake	12th & 131st Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.57	Mini-Park		X																	X	
	Mini-	Park Parks Total Acres	4.94																			$\Box$		

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Special Use																				·				
Bonneville Field	1530 N Machias Road	Snohomish County	7.32	Special Use									X											X
City Boat Launch	North Drive	WA Department of Fish & Wildlife	0.89	Special Use											X									X
Community Center/ City Hall	1805 Main Street	City of Lake Stevens	0.58	Special Use																				X
Grimm House	1804 Main Street	City of Lake Stevens	0.60	Special Use																				X
Library / Historic Society	1804 Main Street	City of Lake Stevens	0.25	Special Use																				X
	Special	Use Parks Total Acres	9.64																					
Trail															-	_								
CENTENNIAL TRAIL		Snohomish County	90.62	Trails		X											X		X			X		
RHODODENDRON TRAILHEAD	10911 54TH PL NE	Snohomish County	20.36	Trails		X																X		
SR 92 TRAILHEAD	36TH ST NE & OLD HARTFORD	City of Lake Stevens	0.01	Trails		X																X		
		Trails Total Acres	110.99																					
Open Space																								
16th Street Open Space	16TH ST NE & MAIN ST	City of Lake Stevens	1.77	Open Space																	X			
18th Street Open Space	125th Ave NE & 18th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.87	Open Space																	X			
4th St NE Open Space	4th St SE	Snohomish County	9.83	Open Space																	X			
Baker Vista	34TH ST NE & 116TH AVE NE	City of Lake Stevens	2.77	Open Space																	X	X		

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Open Space (continued Bridgeport at the Crossing 1	Catherine Dr & 124th Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	9.72	Open Space			X														X	X		
Bridgeport at the Crossing 2	124th Ave NE & 30th Pl NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.26	Open Space			X														Χ		Х	
CASTLE DWELLERS SHORT PLAT	24th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.04	Open Space																	X	X		
Cedar Road	29TH ST NE & CEDAR RD	City of Lake Stevens	2.30	Open Space																	X	X		
Grade Road	25XX Grade Rd	City of Lake Stevens	25.94	Open Space																	X			
Greenwood Village	4th St SE	City of Lake Stevens	19.26	Open Space		X															Χ	Χ		X
Lake Forest	25th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.01	Open Space			X														X			
Lake Pointe	9th Pl NE & 122rd Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.48	Open Space																	X			
Lake Stevens Woods Div1	Catherine Dr & 125th Ave NE	City of Lake Stevens	4.09	Open Space		X															X	X		
Lake Stevens Woods Div2	BRYCE DR NE & 125TH AVE NE	City of Lake Stevens	7.04	Open Space		X															X	X		
Lake Stevens Woods Div3	CATHERINE DR & 32ND ST NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.70	Open Space																	X	X		
Lake Stitch	Lake Stitch	Snohomish County	0.31	Open Space																	X			
Lake Villa	126XX - 16th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	2.35	Open Space																	Χ	X		$\Box$
Lakeview Park	Meridian Place NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.02	Open Space																	Χ	Χ		$\Box$
Lifrig Short Plat	36th St NE & Bryce Dr	City of Lake Stevens	0.28	Open Space																	X	X		

			Area		Picnic Shelter/Benches	Playground	Trail/Pathway	Basketball	Track	Tennis	Athletic Fields/Football/Soccer	Beach / Swimming	Softball/Baseball	Dock	Boat Launch	Swimming Pool	View Corridor	Gymnasium	Restrooms	Community Center	Open Space	Native Growth Protection Area	andscaping	Other
Facility Open Space (continued)	Location	Owner	(acres)	Designation	Pj	[J	$\mathbf{T}$	B	Ξ	Ĺ	A	Ř	Š	Ω	Ř	S	Λ	ۻ	R	ŭ	0	Z	ĽĽ	0
Macomber Short Plat	101ct Avo No & Spruce	City of Lake Stevens	0.44	Open Space																	X	X		
Main Street Open Space	17th Pl NE 7 Main St	City of Lake Stevens	0.59	Open Space																	X	X		
Malia Heights	111th Dr NE & 36th St NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.55	Open Space																	X	X		
Mill Cove Reserve	East Lakeshore Dr & Main St	City of Lake Stevens	0.42	Open Space																	X			X
Pilchuck Terrace	118xx 34TH ST NE	City of Lake Stevens	4.26	Open Space																	X	X		
Reserve Div 1	14TH & 123RD	City of Lake Stevens	8.78	Open Space																	X			
Reserve Div 3	6XX - 125TH AVE NE	City of Lake Stevens	10.39	Open Space			X														X	X		
Reserve Div 5	60X - 122nd Ct NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.87	Open Space																	X	X		
Scholtz Short Plat	11xx 122ND AVE NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.06	Open Space																	Χ	Χ		
Shadow Brook	127th Dr NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.03	Open Space																	Χ			
Shirewood	31ST ST NE	City of Lake Stevens	0.91	Open Space																	X	X	$\Box$	$\neg$
SORENSONS SHORT PLAT	10th & 125th	City of Lake Stevens	2.13	Open Space			X														X	X	X	
Summer Hill Estates	36th St NE & 114th Ct Ne	City of Lake Stevens	0.83	Open Space																	X	X		
Three Township North	117xx 34TH ST NE	City of Lake Stevens	1.28	Open Space																	X	X		
Williams Woods Div 1	28XX Grade Rd	City of Lake Stevens	1.08	Open Space																	X	X		
	(	pen Space Total Acres	122.01																					

Facility Schools	Location	Owner	Area (acres)	Designation	Picnic Shelter/Benches	Playground	Trail/Pathway	Basketball	Track	Tennis	Athletic Fields/Football/Soccer	Beach / Swimming	Softball/Baseball	Dock	Boat Launch	Swimming Pool	View Corridor	Gymnasium	Restrooms	Community Center	Open Space	Native Growth Protection Area	Landscaping	Other
Cavelero Mid-High	8220 24th St SE	Lake Stevens School District No. 6	37.56	School			X		X	X	X		X					X			X			
Centennial Middle School	3000 S Machias Rd	Snohomish School District No. 201	19.69	School				X	X	X			X					X			X			
Glennwood Elementary	2221 103rd Ave SE	Lake Stevens School District No. 11	12.04	School		Х					X		X					X			X			
Highland Elementary	3220 113th Ave NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 8	8.67	School		X					X		X					X			X			
Hill Crest Elementary	9315 4th St SE	Lake Stevens School District No. 4	11.47	School		X		X	X				X					X			X			
LS High School	2602 115th Ave NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 9	36.00	School					X	X	X		X			X		X						
LS Middle School/ Skyline Elementary	1031 91st Ave SE	Lake Stevens School District No. 5	24.69	School		X	X	X	X				X					X			X			
North Lake Middle School	2226 123rd Ave NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 10	18.41	School			X		X		X		X					X			X			
Pilchuck Elementary	12708 20th St NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 12	21.71	School		X	X				X		X					X			X			
Sunnycrest Elementary	3411 99th Ave NE	Lake Stevens School District No. 7		School		X	X	X										X			X			
		Schools Total Acres	203.93			Ī								I									. [	

## **LOS Comparison**

Jurisdiction	Park Types	LOS
Arlington	Specialized Parks Mini-Parks Neighborhood Park Community Park Linear/Trail Parks School Facilities Open Space Programs	City Parks - 6 acres/1,000 population Trails - 0 miles/1,000 population Open Space - 5% of the total area
Bellevue	Neighborhood Parks Community Parks Active Recreation Facilities	Individual Active Participation – measured by the percent of population that participates in one or more active outdoor activities.  Public Satisfaction – measured by the percent of population satisfied with the condition of existing park and recreation facilities.  Service Area – measured by the percent of households within 1/3 mile of a park or trail access point.  Recreational Guidelines  Pedestrian trails - 1.1 miles / 1,000 population  Biking trails - 0.7 miles / 1,000 population  Community Center - 1 center/25,000 population  Tennis courts - 1 court/2,000 population  Gymnasium, 1 gym/25,000 population
Bellingham	Neighborhood Parks Community Parks Special Use Sites (cultural facilities, indoor facilities, unique sites) Open Space Trails	Acres / 1,00 Standards  Overall - 43.4 acres / 1,000 population  Neighborhood Park - 1 / 1,000 population  Community Park - 19.4 acres / 1,000 population  Special Use - 4.1 acres / 1,000 population  Open Space/Trails - 18.9 acres / 1,000 population  Service Area Standard  Neighborhood Park - 1/2 mile  Community Park - 1 mile  Open Space/Trails - 1/2 mile

Bothell	Mini Parks Neighborhood Parks Community Parks Athletic Fields Regional Facilities Trails & Walking routes Opens Space Program Facilities Programs	Total - 4.5 acres / 1,000 population  Mini Parks - 0.1 acres / 1,000 population  Neighborhood Parks - 1.1 acres / 1,000 population  Community Parks - 1.2 acres / 1,000 population  Athletic Fields - 0.8 acres / 1,000 population  Regional Facilities2acres / 1,000 population  Opens Space -1.2 acres / 1,000 population
Edmonds	Neighborhood Parks Regional Parks Special Use Areas Open Space Gateway/Entrances Connections	Neighborhood Park - 0.58 acres / 1,000 population Community Park - 2.43 acres/1,000 population Regional Park - 0.99 acres / 1,000 population Special Use - 0.55 acres / 1,000 population Open Space - 6.89 acres / 1,000 population
Kirkland Lake Stevens	Neighborhood Parks Community Parks Waterfront Parks Open Space/Natural Park Areas	Parks  Neighborhood Park - 2.06 acres / 1,000 population  Community Park - 2.095 acres/1,000 population  Waterfront Park - no standard  Open Space/Natural Park - 5.7 acres / 1,000 population  Indoor Recreation - non athletic 700 sq ft / 1,000 population  Indoor Recreation - athletic 500 sq ft / 1,000 population  Facilities  Baseball fields - 1 / 5,000 population  Softball fields - 1/10,000 population  Soccer/football - 1/7,500 population  Tennis courts - 1 / 2,000 population  Skate parks - 1/20,000 population  Outdoor pool - 1 / 35,000 population  Indoor pool - 1/20,000 population  7.5 acres - 1,000 population

Lynwood	Mini Parks Neighborhood Parks Community Parks Opens Space Special Facilities	Core Parks (mini, neighborhood & community parks - 5 acres /1,000 population Other Park Land (open space and special use facilities) - 5 acres /1,000 population
Marysville	Neighborhood Park Community Park Regional Park Open Space	Parks Neighborhood Park - 1.5 acres / 1,000 population Community Park - 1.5 acres/1,000 population Regional Park - 15-20 acres/1,000 population Facilities Baseball/softball fields - 1 / 1,000 population Soccer fields - 1/1,500 population Football - 1/6,330 population Sports courts - 1 / 800 population Skate parks - 1/20,000 population Outdoor pool - 1 /35,000 population Indoor pool - 1/20,000 population
Mill Creek  Monroe	Community Parks Neighborhood Parks Open Space - Greenway Public/Private Mini-parks Pedestrian Facilities Mini Park Neighborhood Park Community Park Special Use Park School Park	Community Parks - 3 acres / 1,000 population Neighborhood Parks - 2 acres / 1,000 population Open Space - Greenway Public/Private Mini-parks Pedestrian Facilities  Parks - 3.7 acres / 1,000 population Trails - 1 acre / 1,000 population

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		Community Park - 3.5 acres / 1,000 population
		Pedestrian Trails - 0.4 miles / 1,000 population
		Bike/Pedestrian Paths - 0.5 miles / 1,000 population
	Mini-park <1/4 acre (1/4 mile radius)	Open Space - 10% of the land area
	Neighborhood Park/Elementary School 5 -10	Guidelines
Mukilteo	acres (1/2 mile radius)	Community Center - 1 center / 25,000 population
	Community Park/Middle & High School	Baseball fields - 1 field / 12,000 population
	Fields > 15 acres (1 mile radius)	Softball fields - 1 field /6,000 population
		Soccer fields - 1 field / 12,000 population
		Tennis Courts - 1 court / 2,000 population
		Gymnasium/Sports Court - 1 gym/court / 3,000 population
	Neighborhood Parks	Value based approach (target outcome ratios - TOR)
Olympia	Community Parks	Neighborhood Park - 0.75 acres / 1,000 population
Olympia	Open Space	Community Parks - 3 acres / 1,000 population
	Орен зрасе	Open Space - 11.19 acres / 1,000 population
	Community Park	
	Neighborhood Park	Impact Fee Model
	Min-Park	Capital investment based on population growth multiplied by impact fee
Sammamish	Special-use Park	Geographic Equity
	School/City partnership park	Neighborhood Park - 0.5 mile radius
	Open space/natural area	Community Park - 2 mile radius
	Trail	
Snohomish		Community Park - 1 park / 21,000 new population
County		Regional Park - 1 park / per 10, 700 population

		Parks
		Pocket Park - as opportunity arises
		Neighborhood Park - 75% of population w/in 0.5 miles
		Community Park - 90% of population w/in 1.5 miles
		Trails - 90% of population w/in 0.5 miles
	Pocket Park	Open Space - 10% of city
	Neighborhood Park	Facilities
Snohomish	Community Park	Softball - 1 / 1,000 population
	Trails	Baseball - 1 / 3,000 population
	Open Space	Little League - 1 / 5,000 population
		Tennis courts - 1 / 2,000 population
		Basketball - 1 / 2,000 population
		Soccer/football - 1 / 2,000 population
		Swimming pool - 1 / 20,000 population
		Community Center - 1 / 15,000 population